

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: 5x.jpg

Other Known Title: Not Stated

Medium: Computer Image File

Director/Author: Not Applicable

Producer/Publisher: Not Applicable

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: English

Applicant: The District Court at Christchurch

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

Date of entry in Register: 24 April 2008

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 800395

Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons
for classification:**

The computer image file entitled *5x.jpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication is objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.

The publication contains an image of an early to mid teenage girl being vaginally penetrated by a man. The publication photographically records the sexual abuse of a young teenage girl and legitimises the idea that it is appropriate and acceptable for adults to become sexually aroused by young persons. Such images also advance the idea that young persons are ready for adult forms of sexual activity.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression as set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.